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H.R. 2523. A bill to repeal the Defense of Marriage Act and ensure respect for State regulation of marriage; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PAULSEN (for himself, Mr. KIND, Mr. GRIFFIN of Arkansas, and Ms. FUDGE):

H.R. 2524. A bill to establish a program to provide incentive payments to participating Medicare beneficiaries who voluntarily establish and maintain better health; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. SALMON (for himself and Mr. ANDREWS):

H.R. 2525. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to authorize nonprofit institutions of higher education to provide payment to certain third-party entities; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. SCOTT of Virginia:

H.R. 2526. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to add a Federal defender representative as a nonvoting member of the United States Sentencing Commission, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. TITUS (for herself, Ms. MENG, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, Mr. JONES, Ms. CLARKE, Ms. FRANKEL of Florida, Ms. BONAMICI, Ms. ESTY, Mr. LOEBBACH, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. KUSTER, Ms. GABBARD, and Ms. SINEMA):

H.R. 2527. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide veterans with coun-

seling and treatment for sexual trauma that occurred during inactive duty training; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. TITUS (for herself and Mr. HORSFORD):

H.R. 2528. A bill to establish a task force in the Department of Veterans Affairs to assess the retention and training of claims processors; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. TIPTON (for himself, Mr. PEARCE, Mrs. LUMMIS, Mr. COFFMAN, Mr. LAMBORN, and Mr. GARDNER):

H. Res. 279. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that allocating the appropriate resources to wildland fire management is needed to protect the environment, the economy, and the people of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

67. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Senate of the State of West Virginia, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 76 urging the Congress to update the Renewable Fuel Standard; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

68. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona, relative to House Concurrent Memorial 2007 demanding the Congress protest the proposed closing of Cherrybell Postal Processing and Distribution Center; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

69. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Hawaii, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 6 commemorating the twentieth anniversary of the Apology Resolution; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

70. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Oregon, relative to House Joint Memorial No. 7 urging the Congress to increase investment in the Drinking Water Revolving Fund; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

71. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Idaho, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 22 demanding that the federal government extinguish title to Idaho's public lands and transfer title to those lands to the State of Idaho; jointly to the Committees on Natural Resources, Armed Services, and Energy and Commerce.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. WALDEN:

H.R. 2504.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is pursuant to the following:

1) Article I, Section 8, Clause 1: "The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States."

2) Article I, Section 1- All legislative powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.

By Mrs. NEGRETE MCLEOD:

H.R. 2505.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 8, "Congress Shall have the power to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, among the several States, and with Indian Tribes."

and;

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18, "Congress shall have the Power To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by the Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department of Officer thereof."

By Mr. DENT:

H.R. 2506.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. MASSIE:

H.R. 2507.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I Section 8 of the Constitution, which gives Congress the sole authority to declare war.

By Mr. CALVERT:

H.R. 2508.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, section 8, clause 3 of the Constitution.

(Article I, section 8, clause 3: To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes;)

By Mr. LEWIS:

H.R. 2509.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I of the United States Constitution and its subsequent amendments, and further clarified and interpreted by the Supreme Court of the United States.

By Mr. BISHOP of New York:

H.R. 2510.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

By Mrs. BLACK:

H.R. 2511.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Tenth Amendment stating that, "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people."

and

Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2 providing that "Congress shall have Power to dispose of and make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States. . . ."

By Ms. DeLAURO:

H.R. 2512.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3